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Sir:

Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to acknowledge the Information Disclosure Statement and consider the references filed on April 30, 2001, as evidenced by the attached date-stamped filing receipt.

For the Examiner's convenience, attached is the Information Disclosure Statement PTO-1449, and references. It is respectfully requested that the Examiner consider and acknowledge receipt.

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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed: (1) No later than three months from the application's filing date for an application other than a continued prosecution application (CPA) under §1.53(d); (2) Before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits (whichever is later); or (3) Before the mailing date of the first Office Action after filing a request for continued examination (RCE) under §1.114, and therefore, no Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is required.

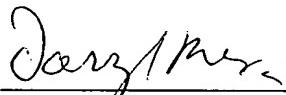
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In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant submits the following explanations:

English language abstracts 05-021160, 05-50700, and 06-036875 constitute a concise statements of relevance for Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication Nos. Hei. 5-21160, No. 5-50700, and No. 6-36875, respectively.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

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